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VIRAL DRUG SUSCEPTIBILITY AND RESISTANCE AND  
ANTI-VIRAL DRUG SCREENING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 5-7, 9-19, 21-24, 26-36, 38, 39, 41-54, 60, 61, 63-76, 78-81, 82-90, 92, 93 and 95-107 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter in a future continuation or divisional application. Accordingly, claims 1, 4, 8, 20, 25, 37, 40, 55-59, 62, 77, 81, 91, 94, 108-111 are pending in this application.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

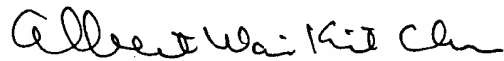
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